**Chapter 5**

**The Outsourcing Debate - Ross Perot in 1992 on NAFTA and the "Giant Sucking Sound"**

Long before Donald Trump was elected president in the U.S., 1992 candidate Ross Perot’s famous critique of NAFTA as having the potential to create a “giant sucking sound.” Perot argued vehemently against NAFTA but both Democrats and Republicans supported the trade agreement.

*Use with:* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQ7kn2-GEmM> (2:34)

1. What was the argument for passing NAFTA?
2. What was Perot’s objection to NAFTA?
3. Have the arguments for and against outsourcing changed during the past two decades?
4. Do you agree with Perot? Explain.